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HONDURAS.

Report from Ceiba—Action of board of health in relation to yellow fever at New Orleans.

The following is received from Acting Assistant Surgeon Robertson under date of July 26:

[Translation.]

Ceiba, July 26, 1905.

Doctor Robertson, Board of Health.

Sir: I have the honor to communicate to you the act of the board of health of this port, which says:

In Ceiba, July 26, 1905, at a meeting of all the members of this board, the president of same explained that the object of this meeting is to announce that there is a rumor in this port that the city of New Orleans is infected with yellow fever; there-

fore the proper measures have to be taken at once.

Dr. Virgil C. Reynolds, having been invited to the meeting, and requested to give any information which he might have regarding the presence of yellow fever in New Orleans, and having said that he knew nothing about it, this board has decided to take the following measures:

(1) To ask the Honduranian consul in New Orleans, by cable, if there is any yellow

fever in that city.

(2) To stop the traffic in passengers coming from New Orleans on steamers proceeding from that port to Ceiba.

(3) To prohibit the pilots and fruit inspectors from Utilla or anybody else to get on board the steamers before they (steamers) have been properly fumigated.

(4) To order the thorough fumigation, upon arrival, of all steamers coming to this port from New Orleans, which will be done in the place of anchorage assigned to them for such purpose.

(5) To absolutely prohibit the coming ashore of any member of the crew of the

steamers, at any landing point along the coast.

(6) To communicate to the President of Honduras, at present in this city, the action of this board of health, likewise to the United States Consul in Ceiba, to the United States quarantine doctor, and to the agents of the fruit lines.

Having nothing more to discuss, the session is closed by all the members of the

board affixing their signatures before the secretary to ratify this document.

FELIX MARTINEZ. DR. F. A. MATUTE. CATARINO RIVAS CH. Lorenzo E. Castillo. Louis Blanco.

In addressing this communication to you for your information, I have the honor to remain,

Yours, truly,

FELIX MARTINEZ, Governor and Commandant.

Report from Puerto Cortez—Statement of yellow-fever cases and deaths—Yellow fever at Choloma and San Pedro—Government measures instituted at Choloma.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Carter reports, July 26, as follows:

The situation at Puerto Cortez is improving. From July 1 to July 24 there were reported 25 cases of yellow fever with 6 deaths, only 1 case having been reported since the 21st.

Of the total number of cases since July 1 there have been 12 recov-

eries and 6 deaths, leaving 7 on hand at present.

The latest reports received from San Pedro state that the conditions are about the same, 100 cases of sickness being reported in the city,